

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: Kishio (nmi) Yokouchi  
Serial No.: 10/805,825  
Filing Date: March 22, 2004  
Group Art Unit: 2874  
Confirmation No.: 1490  
Examiner: Sarah U. Song  
Title: *Optical Structures and Methods for Connecting  
Optical Circuit Board Components*

**Mail Stop: Amendment**  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

**RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

In response to the Office Action electronically sent March 11, 2009, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to reconsider the rejection of the claims in view of the following amendments and remarks.